

PERSONAL MENTION.

People Visiting in This City and at Other Points.

—Mr. C. R. Clayton, of Ehrhardt, was here Monday.

—Mr. G. B. Kearse, of the Kearse section, was in the city Monday.

—Mr. W. D. Bennett, of the Ehrhardt section, was in the city Monday.

—Mr. B. V. Kearse, of the Ehrhardt section, was in the city Monday.

—Mr. H. I. Chassereau, of the Ehrhardt section, was in the city Monday.

—Messrs. H. J. and W. H. Ritter, of the Olar section, were in the city Monday.

—Mr. W. P. Sandifer, Jr., of the Denmark section, was in the city Monday.

—Mr. J. L. Cothran, of the Ehrhardt section, was in the city last Saturday.

—Mr. C. B. Bishop, of the Ehrhardt section, was in the city last Saturday.

—Mr. Thos. Clayton, of the Colston section, was in the city last Saturday.

—Mr. R. H. Brown, of Columbia, has accepted a position as stenographer in the law offices of Carter & Carter.

—H. M. Graham, Esq., president of Enterprise Bank, spent Tuesday in Charleston.

—Mr. J. A. Byrd has been sick for several days this week, but is improving now.

—Mr. J. B. Ryan, of Wedgefield, was in the city last week on a visit to his son, Mr. G. D. Ryan.

—Miss Mamie Hartzog, who has been spending several weeks in Laurinburg, N. C., returned home last Friday.

—Mr. "Jerry" Jordan, of Aiken, is spending a few days in the city. He is here assisting in starting off the Enterprise Bank.

—Mrs. C. E. Simmons, of Bamberg, is spending some time in town, the guest of her daughter, Mrs. A. N. Whetstone.—Branchville Herald.

FOR EACH CROOK HIS TATTOO.

Woman Suggests Marking Criminals on Cheek or Forehead.

Among the helpful letters daily received by Mayor Mitchell came one yesterday signed "Mme. Mercury." She wrote that since all other forms of punishment had failed she would suggest that each criminal be tattooed with a suitable mark across his forehead or on the cheeks.

"A pickpocket," she said, "should have a long fingered red hand grasping a purse tattooed on the cheek. A black hander should have a black heart pierced with a red dagger, a gunman should be marked with a red hand grasping a gun, grafters with a hand grasping the long green, thugs marked with a blue hand rasping a blackjack, burglars marked with a doorknob and pick.

"Please give this system a trial, she asked. "It is humane and will not require any extra expense. See how many gunmen, pickpockets, murderers and thieves the police can tattoo in the next twelve months and you will realize the old axiom of 'catching before hanging.'

"The system would lower the cost of living, reduce the cost of maintaining prisons and make all the poor and criminals self-supporting, tax-paying citizens.

"The revolution that I suggest in the system of handling crime and criminals will rotate the wheels of crime backward into oblivion in time."

The mayor received Mme. Mercury's suggestions too late to incorporate them in the Goethals police bills.

Two Negroes Killed.

The negroes are keeping up their record of killing each other in this county. Last Thursday a negro named Richard Moultrie was shot and killed by James Rice, the killing occurring on the plantation of Mrs. P. W. Sandifer. Rice made his escape, but as the dead negro was found in a house with a pistol in his hand, it looks to be a case of self defence.

On the plantation of Mr. O. E. Kearse, in the Kearse section, last Saturday night, Freddie Breland shot and killed John Sparks. It appears that a crowd of negroes were drinking and passed Breland's house, cursing, and that Breland fired his shot gun several times to frighten them away, but one load took effect in Sparks side, killing him. If the negroes keep up the rate of killing each other in this county as they have for the past few months, they will solve the race problem.

Sale stables, horses and mules, buggies and harness. RIZER & MOYE, Fairfax, S. C.

TILLMAN TO TALK.

Is Willing to Testify in Investigation of Hospital for Insane.

Senator Tillman will go to South Carolina during the coming week, according to a letter which he wrote Saturday to Chairman Wyche, to testify in the State hospital asylum investigation. He addressed the following letter to Mr. Wyche on the subject:

"Yours of the 29th received. I note the joint committee desires me to appear before it on Tuesday, February 3. I am very willing, anxious, indeed, to tell what I know about Dr. Babcock and Dr. Saunders. But I do not feel that I am strong enough to stand the strain of traveling just yet, as I am confined to my rooms at the hotel on account of illness. If the joint committee will be in session on Saturday, February 7, and I am notified to that effect, I will try to appear before it, depending, of course, on my physical condition between now and then. If it will not meet then, I do not want to take the trip to South Carolina for nothing. So please let me know if you will hear me then."

Bandits Wreck and Loot Two Louisiana Banks.

New Orleans, Feb. 2.—Bank bandits Friday and Friday night obtained nearly \$10,000 from two North Louisiana banks and created a reign of terror.

The first was at noon in the Bank of Logansport, La., near Shreveport. The second was at night at Winnaboro at the Winnaboro State bank.

Four persons, two farm boys, were arrested by posses and have confessed to the Logansport robbery, according to the police. The bandits, who wore women's stockings with holes cut in them for masks, have drawn for the police a diagram of the place where they hid \$7,000.

No arrests have been made yet in the Winnaboro robbery. The building was practically wrecked by the dynamiting of the steel vaults. It is certain that the robbers got more than \$100, and it is feared that several thousand was taken from the demolished vault.

At Logansport, W. G. Cole, H. Johnson, H. E. Chambers and Sam Hennegan have been placed under arrest at points in Louisiana and Texas and have confessed to the robbery of the bank of Logansport, at Logansport, La., yesterday.

Cole was arrested near Joaquin, Texas, Johnson in Shreveport and Chambers and Hennegan near Tenah, Texas. Cole in his confession to the arresting officers gave a description of the place where the \$7,000 stolen was cached in the woods near Logansport.

The holdup occurred at noon and in daring rivalry never reported in this State. Two masked men suddenly confronted Assistant Cashier Calhoun and, when Cashier Price entered, both bank officers were forced into the steel vault and the lock turned.

The robbers got \$7,000 in currency, overlooked \$1,000, and walked quietly away. An hour later bank patrons noticed the bank deserted and called the police. After half an hour's work the safe was forced open and the imprisoned bank officials, nearly dead, were taken out. Posses were quickly organized.

Hennegan and Chambers are mere boys. They confessed, police say, to holding the horse and aiding in making away with the money. Cole, the third bandit, alleges that Johnson engineered the holdup in 1912.

The masks used by the bandits were merely women's stockings with holes cut for eyes. No other disguise was used it developed Saturday.

Awakening the whole town by heavy blasts in an attack on the steel vaults in the Winnaboro State bank about midnight, bandits made their get-away with a considerable amount of money.

It is certain that they got more than \$100 in silver, but until a complete checking is made of the bank's money the total will not be known. It is feared that about \$3,000 in currency was taken from the twisted and shattered vault.

Sheriff Gilbert, with a heavily armed posse, is in pursuit of the bandits headed towards Shreveport. It is his theory that the Winnaboro bandits are not members of the gang that held up the Logansport bank Friday. Logansport is not very far away from Winnaboro, however.

A wrench, pick, lantern and lump of wax used in making a blast on a safe was found by the sheriff. Entrance to the building was effected by a rear door and the yeggs succeeded in working the combination on the vault door. They were compelled, however, to use four charges of dynamite or nitroglycerin on the inner vaults.

The bank is one of the oldest in the State and is fully protected by burglar insurance, the officials announced Saturday.

Read The Herald, \$1.50 a year.

ASSESSMENT OF FARM LANDS.

Anderson County Highest and Berkeley Lowest in the State.

Columbia, Feb. 2.—Anderson county lands are assessed for taxation at a higher rate, \$7.34 per acre, than those of any other South Carolina county, according to data compiled by the comptroller general for the use of the senate in its discussion for the pending bill to readjust the salaries of county auditors and treasurers. The lowest rate per acre, \$1.55, is assessed in Berkeley.

The six highest rates per acre, after Anderson, are as follows: Lee, \$6.41; Spartanburg, \$6.18; Chester, \$6.03; Dillon, \$5.91; Marlboro, \$5.72; Newberry, \$5.65. The rate in Charleston is \$3.66.

Mules are assessed highest, \$93 each, in Hampton; lowest, \$32 in Pickens; their average value in Richland, for purposes of taxation, is \$68.

The following table showing the assessed valuation of land per acre in the different counties and the average value of mules, as prepared by the comptroller general, is part of the statistical information which will be used by the senate in its debate on the county auditors' bill:

County.	Mules.	Per Acre.
Abbeville	59	\$5.48
Aiken	69	4.12
Anderson	50	7.34
Bamberg	53	3.76
Barnwell	54	3.61
Beaufort	80	3.47
Berkeley	56	1.55
Calhoun	56	3.74
Charleston	74	3.66
Cherokee	74	5.02
Chester	65	6.03
Chesterfield	69	2.66
Clarendon	75	3.62
Colleton	85	2.15
Darlington	64	5.27
Dillon	69	5.91
Dorchester	74	1.95
Edgefield	56	4.61
Fairfield	69	3.49
Florence	64	3.99
Georgetown	87	2.02
Greenville	37	5.48
Greenwood	53	5.36
Hampton	93	2.39
Horry	76	1.76
Jasper	90	2.44
Kershaw	84	3.04
Lancaster	52	3.89
Laurens	45	5.26
Lee	61	6.41
Lexington	66	2.94
Marion	68	2.02
Marlboro	44	5.12
Newberry	64	5.65
Oconee	49	2.99
Orangeburg	54	3.60
Pickens	32	3.32
Richland	68	4.66
Saluda	57	4.73
Spartanburg	49	6.18
Sumter	66	5.51
Union	51	4.61
Williamsburg	79	2.33
York	61	5.56

Short on Meat Animals.

Washington, February 1.—Shortage of meat animals in the United States was strikingly demonstrated by comparative figures to-day made public by the department of agriculture. The report showed that there are nine less beef cattle, seven less sheep and three less hogs now for each 100 persons in the country than there were in 1910.

While the population of the country is estimated to have increased from 91,972,000 to 98,646,000 in the past three years, the number of beef cattle has decreased 12.9 per cent and of sheep 5.2 per cent. The number of swine increased slightly, 1.3 per cent, but it did not keep up with the proportional growth of population.

In spite of the reduced number it is estimated that the value of cattle in the country, increased from \$1,534,600,000 in 1910 to \$1,930,087,000 on January 1, 1914.

"This increase in value, however," the department pointed out, "does not necessarily mean that farmers or stock raisers are making more, if any profit. On the contrary, the cost of production has probably increased more rapidly than the increase in the selling price of live stock."

"The very fact that there is a present shortage of nearly 19,000,000 meat animals in the United States since the census of 1910, indicates clearly that the business is not profitable to producers."

Marshall Moore Has Good Job.

Mr. Marshall Moore, who is well known in South Carolina as former principal at Greenville, and superintendent at Barnwell and elsewhere, is now superintendent of public instruction of Hillsborough county, Fla. Tampa is the county seat of this county and Supt. Moore has charge of the city schools of Tampa, as well as of the schools of the county. He is said to be the best paid superintendent in the South, receiving a salary of \$3,600 a year, which in July is to be increased to \$4,000.—Southern School News.

SPECIAL NOTICES.

Advertisements Under This Head 25c. For 25 Words or Less.

Pigs and Brood Sows for Sale—See J. HAM KIRKLAND, Olar, or Schofield, S. C.

For a good tailored-to-measure suit call on the Dixie Tailors, opposite post office.

For Sale—Nice gentle horse, buggy and harness for sale. J. J. CLECKLEY, Bamberg, S. C.

Cleaning, pressing, and repairing of all kinds neatly done. Dixie Tailors, opposite post office.

For Sale—Tom Watson Watermelon Seed, 75 cents the pound f. o. b. Olar. J. H. KIRKLAND, Olar, S. C.

Dress Making—I will do first-class dress making at reasonable prices. MRS. J. M. FELDER, JR., Bamberg, S. C.

Wanted.—To buy a few beef cattle. Apply to ROBINSON GROCERY CO. or G. B. CLAYTON, Ehrhardt, S. C.

For Rent—Three rooms adjoining and other conveniences; terms reasonable. Apply to MRS. W. R. WRIGHT.

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For Sale—Three brood sows, Berkshire and Essex mixed; also ten shoats, will weigh 50 to 100 pounds. W. S. BAMBERG & SON.

Automobiles Insured.—1912 models 2 1/4 per cent; 1913 models 2 per cent. Old line company. H. M. GRAHAM, Agent, Bamberg, S. C.

Eggs for Hatching—From my heavy laying S. C. R. I. Reds. First pen \$2 per setting; second pen \$1 per setting, 15 eggs. MRS. J. E. McMILLAN, Ehrhardt, S. C.

Strayed or Stolen—Black and tan hound, medium size, looks like blood hound Rex. Lost about January 1. Reward for information leading to his recovery. J. C. MOYE, Bamberg, S. C.

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NOTICE.

All persons are hereby notified not to plow in the public roads. Violators will be punished to the fullest extent of the law.

E. C. BRUCE,

Supervisor.

Bamberg, S. C., February 3, 1914.

NOTICE OF FINAL ACCOUNTING.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, executrix of the estate of Martin Hamilton, deceased, will file her final report with the Probate Judge of Bamberg County on the 21st day of February, 1914, and will at said time ask for letters dismisory as such executrix.

MAGGIE HAMILTON,

Executrix.

January 22nd, 1914.

NOTICE.

I will sell on Monday, the 16th day of February, at the home place, all the personal property of the estate of Landy Hays, deceased, consisting of stock, farming utensils, etc. Terms of sale, cash.

RICHARD HAYS,

Administrator.

Bamberg, S. C., January 31, 1914.

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H. G. HASTINGS & CO.,

Atlanta, Ga.—Adv.

We have on hand fifteen new Ford touring cars and expect four Ford runabouts February 6th; also have on hand three Buick runabouts and two Buick touring cars. Prospective purchasers will please call to see us, or write, and we will send them a car. RIZER AUTO CO., Olar, S. C.—adv.

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